

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, May 20, 2003, the following members were present:

Thomas J. Schneider, Vice Chairman  
Matt Brainard, Commissioner  
Greg Jergeson, Commissioner  
Jay Stovall, Commissioner

Commissioner Rowe was absent and left some written votes with the Commission Secretary. Other votes were left open for him.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator  
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(197) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes; Commissioner Brainard moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of May 12, 2003. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Monica Tranel, Kate Whitney

(198) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Complaint against GoInternet, et al regarding Unauthorized Charges on Telephone Bills, Docket No. D2002.10.126; Commissioner Stovall moved to dismiss ILD pursuant to the same terms as ESB was dismissed. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4 to 0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Rowe, who later cast his vote aye, making the vote unanimous.

APPEARANCE

Monica Tranel

(199) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Mooseweb Corporation's Petition for Mediation of Interconnection Agreement, Docket No. D2003.4.52; Commissioner Brainard moved to decline the request for mediation without prejudice. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

APPEARANCE

Martin Jacobson, Joel Tierney, Steve Vick, Kate Whitney

(200) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Legislation regarding Line Moving for Relocation of Structures; Commissioner Jergeson moved to instruct staff to proceed with the process and procedures outlined to implement the bill. Commissioner Stovall seconded the motion, which passed by a vote of 4 to 0. The vote was left open for Commissioner Rowe, who later cast his vote aye, making the vote unanimous.

APPEARANCE  
Commissioner Greg Jergeson

(201) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the Midwest Multi-State Independent Transmission System Operator (MISO) Organization Participation; Commissioner Jergeson moved to allow the Montana Public Service Commission to be a member of the Organization of MISO States (OMS). Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

Commissioner Stovall moved to appoint Commissioner Jergeson as the Montana representative to MISO/OMS. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Commissioner Rowe voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

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BOB ROWE, Chairman

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THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Vice Chairman

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MATT BRAINARD, Commissioner

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GREG JERGESON, Commissioner

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JAY STOVALL, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Rhonda J. Simmons  
Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Thursday, May 22, 2003, the following members were present:

Bob Rowe, Chairman  
Thomas J. Schneider, Vice Chairman  
Matt Brainard, Commissioner  
Greg Jergeson, Commissioner  
Jay Stovall, Commissioner, via telephone

APPEARANCE

Marla Larson

(202) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of the PSC's Gas Roundtable; Commissioner Brainard moved to direct staff to begin work on a natural gas conference in September. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Robin McHugh, Wayne Budt, Kate Whitney

(203) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of budget/personnel/staff out-of-state travel; Commissioner Jergeson moved to proceed to Phase 2 and 3 of the computer (ITS) rewrite, using funds available. Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Brainard moved to authorize out-of-state travel for three staff members (two new rate analysts and new attorney) to Camp NARUC. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the position description and vacancy announcement and advertise the position (for the consumer complaints bureau chief). Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Schneider moved to grant Marla Larson a pay exception of \$5,000 to take effect July 1, 2004. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4 to 0 for now. The vote was left open for Commissioner Stovall, who left the call. Commissioner Stovall later cast his vote aye, making the vote unanimous.

Commissioner Schneider moved to approve the base change for Mike Lee by increasing it \$500, effective the beginning of next pay period. Commissioner Jergeson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4 to 0 for now. The vote was left open for Commissioner Stovall who later cast his vote aye, making the vote unanimous.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to approve an increase to the base rate for the Centralized Services/Transportation Division Administrator to match the Utility Division Administrator, effective the beginning of next pay period. Commissioner Schneider seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3 to 1 for now. Commissioners Jergeson, Rowe and Schneider voted aye. Commissioner Brainard dissented. The vote was left open for Commissioner Stovall who later cast his vote no, making the vote 3 to 2.

Commissioner Jergeson moved to appoint a team, jointly of commissioners (Brainard, Jergeson) and key staff (ACT, Steve), to develop a proposal and supporting rationale to submit to the Commission the first week of June (regarding the clerk function). Commissioner Brainard seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 4 to 0 for now. The vote was left open for Commissioner Stovall who later cast his vote aye, making the vote unanimous.

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